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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applica	tion of:)	
James	s W. Rudolph)	
Serial No. Continuation of 09/178,399)	Examiner Randy W. Gibson
Filing Date: October 23, 1998)	Group Art Unit No. 2841
MEA	HOD AND APPARATUS FOR SUREMENT OF WEIGHT ING CVI/CVD PROCESS)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to acting on this application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendment to the Specification:

Amendment to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Claims:

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims not set on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.